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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST TO APPROVE FEDERAL ALTERNATIVE PAYMENT PROGRAM
AMENDMENT 01 AND GENERAL ALTERNATIVE PAYMENT PROGRAM
AMENDMENT 01 TO THE CHILD CARE & DEVELOPMENT FUND CONTRACTS
WITH CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)(3 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve and instruct the Chair to execute two (2) copies of the attached California Department of Education (CDE) Amendment 01 to the Federal Alternative Payment Program (FAPP) Contract Number FAPP-1029 which was adopted by the Board on August 21, 2001 as Board Agreement 73599. The Amendment will increase by \$468,860, the Maximum Reimbursable Amount (MRA), from \$12,115,254 to \$12,584,114 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2001-02. FAPP funding has no County match requirement. Sufficient revenue and appropriation is included in the FY 2001-02 Adopted Budget.
2. Approve and instruct the Chair to execute two (2) copies of the attached California Department of Education (CDE) Amendment 01 to the General Alternative Payment Program (GAPP) Contract Number GAPP-1030 which was adopted by the Board on August 21, 2001 as Board Agreement 73600. The Amendment will increase by \$74,562, the Maximum Reimbursable Amount (MRA), from \$1,926,674 to \$2,001,236 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2001-02. GAPP funding has a Maintenance of Effort which has been met. Sufficient revenue and appropriation is included in the FY 2001-02 Adopted Budget.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

The DCFS has long recognized childcare as an essential social, protective, and family preservation service. The FAPP and GAPP funding from CDE funds child care and development services for children to avoid being placed in out-of-home care and to facilitate family reunification.

The recommended actions will enable DCFS to accept additional FAPP and GAPP funding from CDE to continue and expand childcare services.

The Board's approval to increase the CDE FAPP and GAPP Agreements for the CDE Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) increase is justified because these funds allow DCFS to provide an essential service at no net County cost. All other terms and conditions of the FAPP and GAPP agreements shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended action is consistent with the principles of the County Strategic Plan by increasing access to child care and development services (Goal #1-Service Excellence, Strategy #2-Design Seamless Service Delivery System), improving Children's Social Worker (CSW) effectiveness (Goal #3-Organizational Effectiveness, Strategy #2-Improve Internal Operations), allowing for full utilization of available funding (Goal #4-Fiscal Responsibility, Strategy #1-Manage Effectively the Resources We Have), and providing services for children and families across functional and jurisdictional boundaries (Goal #5-Children and Families' Well-Being, Strategy #1-Coordinate, Collaborate and Integrate Services for Children and Families).

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The additional \$543,422 in funding (\$468,860 FAPP and \$74,562 GAPP) will be used for allowable CDE program expenditures. No County match is required for the FAPP funding. GAPP has an MOE which has been met; therefore, the additional funding has no net County cost impact. Sufficient funding is included in the FY 2001-02 Adopted Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Contract Numbers FAPP-1029 and GAPP-1030 represent the Department's regular Child Care and Development allocation from the CDE for FY 2001-02. The effective date of each Agreement for CDE purposes is July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002. Following execution by CDE, the effective date for the FAPP Amendment 01 and GAPP Amendment 01 will also be July 1, 2001. CDE does not consider child care services provided by DCFS prior to the Board's adoption date of the FAPP and GAPP Amendments 01 to be retroactive since the Amendments relate back to the original effective dates of these Agreements. The additional FAPP and GAPP COLA funding will augment funds that allow DCFS to provide child care services to children and their families.

The Chief Administrative Office and County Counsel have reviewed this Board Letter. FAPP Amendment 01 and GAPP Amendment 01 have been approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

The increased COLA funding provided by FAPP Amendment 01 and GAPP Amendment 01 will enable DCFS to continue and expand child care and development services to children. It is projected that by the end of FY 2001-02, over 4,500 children in DCFS Child Protective Services will have enrolled in the Child Care and Development Block Grant Program.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval and execution by the Board of Supervisors, it is requested that the Executive Officer/Clerk of the Board send:

1. Two (2) signed originals of each FAPP-1029 Amendment 01 and GAPP-1030 Amendment 01 to the California Department of Education, Contracts Office, P.O. Box 944272, Sacramento, California 94244-2720.

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2. One (1) copy of the adopted Board letter and executed FAPP-1029 Amendment 01 and GAPP-1030 Amendment 01 to the Department of Children and Family Services, Attn: Theresa Wisda, Manager, Contract Administration, 425 Shatto Place, Room 205, Los Angeles, CA 90020.
3. One (1) copy of the adopted Board letter and executed FAPP-1029 Amendment 01 and GAPP-1030 Amendment 01 to County Counsel, Children's Services Division, Attn: Kathleen Felice, Senior Deputy County Counsel, 201 Centre Plaza Drive, Monterey Park, California 91754-2143.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director

AB:CJ

Attachments (4)

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Auditor-Controller